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The Impact of Miracle Temple Deliverance Ministries NC Broadcasts FCC Mail Room

Miracle Temple Deliverance Ministries NC is a Faith Based not-for-Profit Ministry located in South Eastern North Carolina. We are financially supported by contributions from members, friends, and partners of the ministry. Our staff of volunteers serves as support staff and is dedicated to taking the Good News to the Nations. We currently employ 3 administrative staff and all support staff are volunteers. There are approximately 10 - 15 volunteers that work as support staff. Three(3) of these volunteers are responsible for the production and the distribution of our current programs. These individuals spend approximately 40 hours per week in the production of our current programming

The Miracle Temple Deliverance Ministries, NC. Broadcast and The Christ Lives In Me show extends hope and motivates changes and empowers people to embrace the living Word. When they apply the teachings that are provided through the television broadcasts, they are able to face their situations with positive thoughts and processes. Thus, creating changes in their lives, community and society in general. We have had people in our local broadcast area attest to positive testimonies how the television broadcasts has led them to make life giving changes through the application of the teachings they were exposed to.

We serve a rural area of South-Eastern North Carolina where there are persons who are homebound and rely upon care givers to assist them. These loyal viewers watch our broadcast on a consistent basis. They communicate how the teachings in the broadcasts are changing their lives and encourage them to continue doing what they can do to help others. It provides hope to them in a time when the world system is being challenged and there seems to be no clear answers to their current situation. The broadcast is used as a means of fellowship and inspiration, equipping our viewers with the strength and hope to continue living their lives. They relate that they have a dependency upon the availability of our programming with an earnest expectation.

People who have been through many trials and tribulations and have given up on almost everything find solace and truths to cling to and develop the inner faith to persevere. Their minds are being renewed and hope is been restored thus creating opportunity for their families to thrive in a challenging economic environment. The loss of jobs and resources as a result of this current economy has generated a population of people that feel much hopelessness. Through the teachings we are providing, we give to them the precepts and concepts that work when applied to their situations. Our listeners are embracing the information on the broadcasts and applying it to their lives. Young adults are listening and communicating life changing results. The elderly are

learning how to communicate with the younger generations. A diverse population is being taught how to interact among each other and come together in unity to create positive changes that are beneficial to our growth as a people. These broadcasts are changing South-Eastern North Carolina. Regardless of the social —economic status of the person, they receive hope, encouragement and inspiration through each broadcast. Therefore they are acting on what has been taught and the results are life transforming.

If this programming was not able to continue on television due to issues pertaining to closed captioning then it would take away the very thing available to them that is teaching these diverse sectors of people how to communicate and inspire each other while restoring and rebuilding sound community relations and partnerships that facilitate the growth and prosperity of communities. It would take away a positive connection of communications and hope to those who are homebound and are using the programming to encourage themselves to face the challenges through another day. It would take opportunity from youth who are learning good solid values and how to be good leaders and followers. For those who are lost it would take away any opportunity to find those sure answers to the very questions that will bring life changing results to their current situation.

Please continue to allow this ministry to be a positive light in a dark place. How will they know if there is no voice to hear? We ask that we be allowed to give while there still exists a slot and opportunity to broadcast in an era where spirituality is being censored in the Christian faith. All we want to do is be that voice and lifeline to a lost and dying world. There are so much negative television broadcasts that are nonproductive and bring into homes dark themes in their productions. We are just a Bible based broadcast proclaiming the good news with no agenda but to give hope and direction to anyone who will receive the Word of God into their lives. We really can change the world you and me. We must not let this broadcast be stopped! We are accountable most importantly unto our heavenly Father and then to our brothers and sisters of mankind who look to us for the very answers to their rightful questions. This gospel remains impertinent among regulatory actions and restrictions that might mandate otherwise. If restrictions cease the freedom of the broadcasts then all hope from our efforts will be silenced and the accountability will be not placed upon us as good stewards and ambassadors of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we are already doing all that we are capable of doing to get the television broadcast out there on a very limited budget and volunteer staff of dedicated Christian workers.

We ask that we find favor with man as well as with God. We request that we be allowed to continue in the capacity we have been allowed to serve in and we will remain faithful and true in our aim for the mark of the high calling of our Lord.

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Closed Captioned Support

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Miracle Temple Deliverance Ministries, Inc. actively seeks support and resources to provide "Closed Captioning" to our broadcasts. The following methods have been used to request support for our broadcasts with closed captioning services.

The distributor of our program.

We have contacted, discussed and requested assistance from the distributor of our program. Our distributors' response was; that they have no resources nor any assistance help for us with closed captioning and closed captioning of the broadcast and any expenses related to closed captioning would therefore be solely the responsibility of our organization. Unfortunately no assistance was provided by the distributor of the program.

Broadcast Sponsor.

We initiated a broadcast sponsorship program to obtain resources to support our broadcast and to provide closed captioning of the broadcast. We actively ask businesses, organizations, etc. as well as individuals to support our efforts to continue the broadcast with the needed resources to provide closed captioning. This is an ongoing program; however we have received very little support. (See "Exhibit A").

Weekly Request On The Broadcast.

On our weekly broadcast we request support for the broadcast including closed captioning. We receive occasional donations through this source. The donations received for this in 2012 and the first two months are listed in "Exhibit A".

Support from Membership and Ministry Partners.

We actively and consistently seek support from partners and members of our organization. These donations are restricted to broadcast expenses. However, the donations are minimal and displayed in "Exhibit A" for the fiscal year of 2012 and the first two months of 2013.

<u>Support through Media Ministry</u>. Teachings are being offered to viewers and on the internet for a donations of any amount to create a support for closed captioning of the broadcast. The donations that have been received through these means are outlined in Exhibit A.

The total support received using the above methods in 2012 are outlined in "Exhibit A". The cost of "Closed Captioning" for our broadcasts exceeds 2% of our total donations. If

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we are required to provide Closed Captioning to our programs, it would pose an economic hardship on our organization and we would no longer be able to continue our broadcasts on television. We continuously seek resources and support for Closed Captioning for our broadcasts and understand the relevance of making our broadcast available to the hearing impaired. However due to our limited resources and the cost factors associated with Closed Captioning we are requesting a waiver citing economic hardship. Our broadcast is aired at 6 am – 6:30 am on Sunday mornings and produced by volunteers. Our volunteers dedicate 40 hours per week to producing our programming. The least expensive captioning services that we can find would ask approximately \$200 per week to our broadcast cost. This means that our broadcasts cost would increase approximately 209% per aired show. The broadcast is primarily of local interest and has little or no repeat value although the content is of great value to have available for that airing date to the viewer.

The undue burden or hardship of requiring the ministry to provide Closed Captioning to the broadcasts would in effect cancel the opportunity to bring the good news of the gospel to others who have responded that the broadcast is how they feel they attend a church service on Sundays seeing as they have no way to get out of their homes and they state they find no other broadcasts that find favor with them as they do with Miracle Temple Deliverance Ministries teachings during the thirty minute airing.

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Exhibit A

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| TV Support Methods | January 1 – December 31, | January 1 – February 28, |
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| | 2012 | 2013 |
| Broadcast Sponsorship | \$ 0.00 | |
| Telvision Donations | \$ 0.00 | |
| Membership Donations | \$1752.00 | \$330.00 |
| Partners Donation | \$ 30.00 | |
| Media Donations from TV | \$ 292.00 | |
| Online Donations | \$ | |
| Total Amount Received | \$2074.00 | \$330.00 |
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Total Cost of Broadcast w/out Captioning

\$3620.00

Total Cost of Broadcast with Captioning

\$19220.00

Transcribing Service (\$100*52)

\$ 5,200.00

Closed Captioning (\$200*52)

\$ 10,400.00

Broadcast cost

\$ 3,620.00

Increase for Closed Captioning \$15,600.00 per Year.

Closed captioning our broadcast would increase our cost 431% from we are currently paying at this time.

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State of North Carolina County of Pender

Before me the undersigned Notary, James A Bryant, Jr. on this 12 day of MARCH 2013 personally appeared James A Bryant, Jr., known to me to be a credible person and of lawful age, who being by me first duly sworn, on hisoath, attests to and affirms the above facts. James A Bryant, Jr 561 US Hwy 117 South Burgaw, NC 28425 Before Me the undersigned Notary lawful age who being by me first duly sowrn, on his oath, attests to and affirms the above facts. Amanda W Bryant 561 US Hwy 117 South Burgaw, NC 28425 Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12 day of March (Printed Name of Notary) **NOTARY PUBLIC** My commission expires: Notary Public Before the

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| Miracle Temple Deliverance Ministries, NC |) | |
| Video Programming Accessibility |) | |
| Closed Captioning |) | |
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Supplemental information to Petition for exemption from closed captioning requirements

Miracle Temple Deliverance Ministries NC submits additional information to the petition filed on April 5, 2007 and revised by an update filed July 5, 2012. Per your correspondence dated February 19, 2013 case identifier: CGB-CC0696 we are submitted the missing required information.

This supplement to the original petition provides verification of additional sponsorship sources of revenue for captioning, and that, even if these efforts have not successfully produced assistance, we do not otherwise have the means to provide captioning for the program. Information on the type of our operation(s) and the impact that providing captions would have on your programming activities, to the extent that our programming might not be shown if it is required to provide captioning.

Therefore this supplement to the petition submitted as shown by this petition and its attachments, the commission should grant a waiver of the closed captioning requirements in this case, because requiring closed captioning would create an undue burden. The cost of captioning would be excessively high and would have significant impact on petitioners operations.

Respectfully Submitted:

By: James A Bryant, Jr, Church Administrator

To: Deputy Chief, Policy Division, and Media Bureau